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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST

YOU ARE PICTURED ON THE FRONT PAGE IN AN INSERT IN MURREY MARDER'S STORY THAT THE A-PACT WAS A PRODUCT OF STALEMATE. ALARM OVER ENDING THE SUMMIT IN DEADLOCK ON THE CENTRAL NUCLEAR ISSUE IMPELLED THE TWO COUNTRIES TO COME UP WITH THE GOAL OF A 10-YEAR ACCORD. AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES CONCEDE THE TWO SIDES ARE BARELY BEGINNING TO PLUMB THE CONCEPT. THE RESULT IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE NEW DYNAMICS OF SUMMITRY, IN WHICH PUBLIC ADMISSION OF THE LOSS OF MOMENTUM PRODUCES ITS OWN COMPULSION TO PRODUCE SOME RESULTS OR JEOPARDIZE EARLIER ADVANCES. THE BASIC PROBLEM WAS THAT BOTH SIDES PERCEIVED THE WORST POSSIBLE CASE/SITUATION FOR THE OTHER IN THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS AND COULD NOT AGREE ON LIMITING THE NUMBER OF MISSILES. YOU ARE PICTURED AGAIN, ARRIVING AT NATO, WITH THE CONTINUING STORY ON PAGE A-4. YOUR REMARKS AFTER BRIEFING THE NAC ARE CARRIED. JIM HOAGLAND SAYS SYRIA HAS SHIPPED LARGE QUANTITIES OF RUSSIAN-MADE SA-7S TO PALESTINIAN GUERRILLAS IN LEBANON AS AN ANSWER TO THE STEPPED-UP ISRAELI BOMBINGS, ACCORDING TO WESTERN INTELLIGENCE SOURCES. THIS IS THE FIRST DIRECT MILITARY SUPPORT ARAB STATES ARE KNOWN TO HAVE PROVIDED IN THE NEW CONFRONTATION. THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT IS RELIABLY REPORTED CONCERNED ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENT. THE ISSUE IS BEING DISCUSSED AT THE ARAB DEFENSE MINISTERS' MEETING IN CAIRO. THE DANGER PRESENTED BY POSSESSION OF THE MISSILES WAS CITED AS A KEY FACTOR IN THE DECISION TO DIVERT YOUR AIRPLANE OVER LEBANON DURING YOUR PEACE TALKS LAST DECEMBER. (A-1) DAN MORGAN NOTES CRITICISM OF INCLUDING TOBACCO AS PART OF ITS

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"FOOD AID" PROGRAM TO INDOCHINA AND OTHER POOR COUNTRIES. (A-1)
 CARROLL KILPATRICK CITES YOUR DESCRIPTION OF THE PRESIDENT'S STYLE
 IN NEGOTIATIONS AS REFLEXIVE AND PRAGMATIC. PRESIDENTIAL AIDES
 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT HIS PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS TEND TOWARD HYPERBOLE
 AND MORE CONCERN WITH ENDS THAN MEANS. THIS IS PARTLY EXPLAINED
 BY THE PRESIDENT'S DEEP-SEATED CONVICTION THAT THE MASS OF VOTERS
 PREFER THE SIMPLE TO THE COMPLEX. MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF BELIEVE
 HE MAY BE UNDERESTIMATING THE INTELLIGENCE OF TODAY'S VOTER. (A-4)
 CARROLL KILPATRICK ALSO NOTES DR. TKACH'S OPPOSITION TO THE PRES-
 IDENT'S TRIP BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE DANGER TO HIS LIFE FROM THE
 PHLEBITIS. GENERAL HAIG SAID YOU AND THE PRESIDENT WERE BOTH
 PLEASED BY THE "SUCCESS" OF THE SUMMIT. (A-5)

DUSKO DODER DISCUSSES THE IMPACT OF INFLATION ON EASTERN EUROPE.
 HE FORESEES SHARPLY INCREASING RAW MATERIAL PRICES. (A-7)
 THE LEAD EDITORIAL SAYS THAT, ALTHOUGH THE STRATEGIC ARMS RACE
 CHECKS ARE STALEMATED, THOSE WHO FEARED THAT MR. NIXON WOULD GIVE
 AWAY THE NATION'S SECURITY TO COMPENSATE FOR WATERGATE HAVE BEEN
 PROVEN WRONG. YOUR STATEMENT THAT BOTH SIDES HAVE TO CONVINCE
 THEIR MILITARY ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE BENEFITS OF RESTRAINT IS
 DESCRIBED AS STARTLING. CONSIDERATIONS OF POLITICAL SURVIVAL --
 INFLUENCED THE PRESIDENT'S DETERMINATION OF NATIONAL SECURITY --
 WATERGATE AT WORK IN AN INSIDIOUS WAY. BUT THE SUMMIT DID HAVE
 ACCOMPLISHMENTS. BARRING RESTRAINT, THE ARMS RACE MAY BE AN EPI-
 TAPH FOR DETENTE, HOWEVER. (A-16)

ANOTHER EDITORIAL DEPLORES THE FAILURE OF ANYONE IN THE PRESI-
 DENTIAL PARTY TO DEFEND THE ELEMENTARY PRINCIPLES OF A FREE PRESS,
 EVIDENCED BY SOVIET CENSORSHIP OF DISCUSSION OF DISSIDENTS. (A-16)
 STEPHEN ROSENFELD HOPES YOU WILL GO TO THE WORLD POPULATION CON-
 FERENCE IN BUCHAREST IN AUGUST. YOUR PARTICIPATION WOULD "NOTCH
 UP" THE CONFERENCE AND THE CAUSE. (A-16)

JOSEPH ALSOP SAYS YOU AND THE PRESIDENT FAILED TO MOVE THE SALT
 TALKS TO AGREEMENT BECAUSE YOU WOULD NOT CONCEDE TO THE SOVIETS
 ABSOLUTE SUPERIORITY IN STRATEGIC WEAPONRY. THE SOVIETS HAVE
 DETERMINED TO GO ON BUILDING UP THEIR MILITARY POWER, REGARDLESS
 OF COST, AT THE UTMOST SPEED THEY CAN WITHOUT ANY LIMITS. THE
 U.S. WILL NOW HAVE TO WORK HARD TO CATCH UP IN SOME AREAS AND
 KEEP UP, OR A PRE-WORLD WAR II SITUATION WILL RESULT. (A-17)
 THE BALTIMORE SUN

MICHAEL PARKS REPORTS FROM MOSCOW THAT THE FIRST OFFICIAL RUSSIAN
 COMMENTARIES ON THE SUMMIT EMPHASIZED NOT THE AGREEMENTS SIGNED
 BUT THE "FRANK, CONSTRUCTIVE, AND BUSINESSLIKE" TALKS THAT TOOK
 PLACE. A SOVIET SPECIALIST IN AMERICAN AFFAIRS SAID: "THINGS
 TURNED OUT EXACTLY AS WE HAD EXPECTED; THERE WAS NOTHING MORE,
 NOTHING LESS." (A-1)

YOU ARE PICTURED ON THE FRONT PAGE GREETING JENS OTTO KRAG IN
 BRUSSELS. (A-1)

JAPANESE RADIO HAS REPORTED THE CHINESE HAVE DECLARED A REPORT
 OF CHOU EN-LAI'S DEATH A PURE FABRICATION. (A-1) REUTERS RE-
 PORTS THIS MORNING THAT SENATOR JACKSON DESCRIBED CHOU AS "SHARP

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AS A TACK" AFTER A HALF-HOUR MEETING THIS MORNING. SENATOR JACKSON ADDED THAT THE PREMIER WAS EXTREMELY ALERT AND IN GOOD HUMOR. IN ANOTHER REUTER DISPATCH, SENATOR JACKSON TODAY DISMISSED THE RESULTS OF THE SUMMIT AS "VERY LIMITED." HE SAID THAT CONGRESS WOULD WANT TO EXAMINE CAREFULLY THE WAY IN WHICH THE UNDERGROUND TEST AGREEMENT WILL BE ENFORCED, BECAUSE IT RAISED THE OLD PROBLEM OF ON-SITE INSPECTION. HE CONTINUED: "THE REALLY INTERESTING
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THING WILL BE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THERE WILL BE A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF SOVIET TESTS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE A CERTAIN MOMENTUM UNDER WAY WHICH MEANS THEY CAN TEST MANY MORE HIGHER YIELD WEAPONS PRIOR TO MARCH 31, 1976."

GILBERT LEWTHWAITE REPORTS FROM PARIS THAT YOU ARE APPARENTLY ANXIOUS TO BUILD ON THE BASIS OF COOPERATION CURRENTLY EVIDENT AMONG NATO ALLIES. (A-2)

A SUN CORRESPONDENT WRITES THAT MOSCOW HAS RETURNED TO ITS SUMMER SOMNOLENCE AND THERE ARE FEW SIGNS THAT PRESIDENT NIXON HAD BEEN THERE ON A VISIT. THE RUSSIANS ARE NOW PREPARING FOR PREMIER BHUTTO. (A-2)

A SUN EDITORIAL STATES THAT THE UNDERGROUND TEST AGREEMENT, WHICH GOES INTO EFFECT AFTER MARCH 1976, UNDERSCORES THAT THE RACE FOR PHANTOM "SUPREMACY" IN OFFENSIVE WEAPONS IS ON. (A-12)

THE NEW YORK TIMES

FLORA LEWIS COVERS YOUR PRESS CONFERENCE IN BRUSSELS IN WHICH YOU SAID THE KEY OBSTACLE TO A BREAKTHROUGH IN THE SUMMIT TALKS WAS HOW TO BALANCE SOVIET MISSILE TOTALS AND AMERICAN WARHEAD TOTALS. AFTER A NUMBER OF FALSE STARTS, NEGOTIATORS IN MOSCOW REALIZED THAT ANOTHER INTERIM AGREEMENT WAS ALL THAT COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED NOW. A SENIOR OFFICIAL WAS QUOTED LATER AS SAYING THAT THE FEASIBILITY OF THE NEW AGREEMENT COULD BE DETERMINED WITHIN SIX MONTHS. (A-1)

HENRY TANNER REPORTS FROM CAIRO THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE ARAB LEAGUE HAVE AGREED TO GIVE UNSPECIFIED AID TO LEBANON AND THE PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION TO STRENGTHEN DEFENSES AGAINST ISRAELI ATTACKS. THEY ALSO AGREED TO PUT POLITICAL PRESSURE ON THE U.S. TO RESTRAIN ISRAEL FROM ATTACKS IN LEBANON. (A-1)

SYDNEY SCHANBERG WRITES THAT DESPITE A HEAVY PUBLICITY BARRAGE, LAND REFORM IN THE PHILIPPINES HAS PROGRESSED SLOWLY. CONTINUING HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT AND RESTRAINT OF THE PRESS ARE ALSO PROBLEMS WHICH ARE CAUSING MUCH DISCONTENT. THE NEXT YEAR WILL PROBABLY BE A CRITICAL PERIOD FOR MARCOS AS HE WILL HAVE TO MOVE QUICKLY TO CONTAIN THE SITUATION. (A-3)

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LEAD OF OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN BANNING MORE FOREIGN WORKERS.
IN FEAR OF FUTURE UNEMPLOYMENT, FRANCE WANTS TO RESTRICT JOBS TO
FRENCHMEN. (A-4)

HEDRICK SMITH NOTES AMBASSADOR STOESEL'S JULY 4 SPEECH ON RUSSIAN
TELEVISION WAS THE FIRST BY AN AMERICAN AMBASSADOR IN TEN YEARS.
THE SHORT SPEECH IN RUSSIAN WAS SEEN AS A FRIENDLY GESTURE FOLLOW-
ING THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT. (A-6)

THE LEAD EDITORIAL OF THE TIMES POINTS OUT THE FRAGILITY OF DETENTE,
SINCE NO BREAKTHROUGH WAS REACHED ON SALT NEGOTIATIONS. THE TIMES
FEELS THE MILITARY WILL PRESS FOR A SPEED-UP IN THE ARMS RACE BE-
FORE A NEW CUTOFF DATE IS NEGOTIATED. DESPITE THE FAILURE ON THIS
POINT, THERE WERE SUCCESSES WITH AGREEMENTS TO LIMIT ABMS AND UNDER-
GROUND NUCLEAR TESTS. (A-20)

THE TIMES PREDICTS THAT PREMIER TANAKA'S LIBERAL-DEMOCRATS WILL
RETAIN A MAJORITY IN THE UPPER HOUSE OF THE DIET AFTER SUNDAY'S
ELECTIONS BECAUSE OF A DIVIDED OPPOSITION. THE TIMES ARGUES THERE
SHOULD BE A VIGILANT, DEMOCRATIC OPPOSITION TO OPPOSE PROPOSED LAWS
WHICH WOULD RESTRICT THE PRESS AND PUBLIC PROTESTS. (A-20)

JAMES RESTON FEELS THAT THE SUMMIT TRIP ENDED IN A SCORELESS TIE
BECAUSE DOMESTIC POLITICS IN BOTH COUNTRIES PREVENTED THE NEGOTIA-
TORS FROM MAKING THE KINDS OF CONCESSIONS NECESSARY TO HALT THE
ARMS RACE. EVEN THOUGH NEITHER NIXON NOR BREZHNEV OPERATED FROM
A POSITION OF SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO OVERRIDE MILITARY PRESSURES,
THEY REALISTICALLY REJECTED MEANINGLESS AGREEMENTS. (A-21)

TOM WICKER CONTENDS THAT THE QUESTION OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE ABOUT
THE WHITE HOUSE PLUMBERS AND WIRETAPPING MUST BE ANSWERED. THE
EVIDENCE OR RECORDS CLEARLY SUGGESTS THAT YOU HA MORE KNOWLEDGE
OF THE PLUMBERS THAN YOU SAID YOU DID. THAT BEING THE CASE, YOU
CAN HARDLY CLAIM IMMUNITY FROM FURTHER QUESTIONING, OR BLAME YOUR
TROUBLES ON THE PRESS ALONE. (A-21)

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